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ANTI-RED DRIVE. FURTHER RAIDS AGAINST COMMUNISTS. CANTON CITY EASIER. LOYAL TROOPS' UP-COUNTRY VICTORIES.

Further raids against the Communists are reported from Hangchow, Ningpo and Wusih, also from Amoy, where the extremists have been dealt with.

A die-hard few in Canton still defy General Chiang Kai-shek's authority, but the position in the city is generally easier. Loyal troops have won victories up-country.

BREACH WIDENS.

Further Anti-Communist Raids.

Rugby, April 18.

Reports from various Chinese centres indicate a widening of the breach between General Chiang Kai-shek and the extremists.

At Hangchow, Ningpo and Wusih as well as in Shanghai, anti-Com-

munists have taken place, while at Changsha, the extremists have dealt drastically with the more moderate Chinese elements.

At Canton the walls are plastered with "Down with Communists," and at Hankow with "Down with Chiang Kai-shek."—British Wireless Service.

General Joins Extremists.

Kiukiang, April 18.

The Southern authorities here

are expecting the arrival of General Ching Chien who is reported

to be very much opposed to General Chiang Kai-shek and has

thrown in his lot with the Extremists against Chiang.

General Ching Chien is on his way from Wuhu. —British Naval Wireless.

[Kiukiang is further up the Yangtze than Wuhu, which is not

far from Nanking, where General Chiang Kai-shek is convening a Kuomintang session. General

Ching Chien was in charge at Nanking when the outrages of foreigners were perpetrated.]

CANTON REDS.

Die-Hard Few Still Defy Government.

Isolated challenges are being made to the Canton Government in spite of Good Friday's drastic coup.

Even in Canton city itself, a minority of die-hard Extremists holds out in defiance of the authorities.

From up-country come reports of further victories for the loyal troops.

In one or two places, Communist institutions displayed inscriptions to the effect that if the Government would not let them live they were prepared to be shot; and if the Government did not wish them to stay in their native Kwangtung, they were willing to become exiles.

Then again, an orator or two has got up a street corner and cried "Down with Chiang Kai-shek." Such speeches have not lasted more than a minute or two.

An encouraging feature of the campaign against the Farmers Corps in Yingtak, who have been reinforced by local banditti, is that the Mechanics' Union (composed of Rightists) is working overtime to get the trains running from Canton up the North River, so that military movements can be facilitated.

Three villages have been burned down in the course of operations against the Communist element around Yingtak.

WAR NEWS.

North's Troops Still In Pukow.

THE FIRING ON SHIPS.

Nanking, April 18.

Whilst firing on ships up to seven miles above Nanking continues, fire across the river has decreased (below Nanking).

The remainder of the foreign commercial community, not hitherto evacuated are now being sent to Shanghai.—British Naval Wireless.

[A report published yesterday indicated that General Chang Tsung-chang's Northerners of

Shantung had advanced along the north bank of the Yangtze River (up-stream) as far as Hochow, which is about 80 miles above Nanking. Apparently, the rival outposts on the two banks of the River, are firing at each other, above Nanking, and that a lull has set in below Nanking and as far as Chinkiang, where Marshal Sun Chun-fang's Northern Army is being held back by the Nationalists on the River and on the south bank.]

Trouble also broke out in the prosperous town of Fatshan where Commander Chien Ta-chun's "peace protection corps" has taken over control.

Curfew in Honan.

In Honan, that part of Canton city on the south side of the river, operations were carried out by General Li Fock-lam's 5th Nationalist Army. Martial law was imposed during the week-end and a curfew was imposed at 11 o'clock for the gambling houses and opium dens.

A body of Communist students stubbornly resisted a company of 5th Army troops, inflicting a number of casualties before they were overpowered and captured.

General Li Chai-sum (General

Chiang Kai-shek's chief of staff in Canton) has strictly forbidden the release of any Communist captured, irrespective of the surety offered. The principals are being removed to Beccas Tigris Forts for detention.

Tension Eased.

Some of the Cadets at the Whampoa Academy are still under suspicion. Government forces on both land and sea have taken precautionary measures.

That the tension in Canton city has eased is evident from the despatch of troops to the outlying districts and the gradual return of loyal reinforcements to their stations.

Emergency measures are still being carried out politically but the Moderate element prevails overwhelmingly in Kuomintang counsels.

A scheme is in hand to bring all Labour unions and organisations under the control of a "Moderate" general union.

AMOY SITUATION.

Agitators Arrested: Moderates in Control.

Communists have also been dealt with in Amoy, the treaty port in the south of Fukien province.

At Amoy, the authority is vested in a subordinate of General Ho Ying-yam, Chiang Kai-shek's lieutenant, who marched all the way up from Swatow, subdued Fukien and helped in the conquest of Chekiang province before the grand arrival at Shanghai.

Developments there were not unexpected, as the Moderates are in power and the mass of the people are staunchly anti-Red.

During the week-end, detachments of soldiers and police patrolled the streets while measures were adopted to quell the Extremists.

Two agitators who arrived on a coasting steamer were arrested by the Amoy officials.

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Ordinarily not much was seen of these volunteer companies. During the day the men had their offices and businesses to attend to, and they did not don khaki except at their evening drills or in response to mobilisation orders. But at rifle butts never a day passed without some company or other engaging in rifle practice, and the Chinese saw for themselves that the volunteers were all trained and knew how to shoot straight.

Regular Training.

Now and then the artillery gullied down to Woosung and shot off some salvoes in Yangtze. At least once a week the machine guns were barking at the targets; and the Light Horse company, after the war, kept training regularly. All these amateurs played the soldier with such zeal and enthusiasm that at last, as a body, they were a quite effective and well disciplined force of about 1,200 men.

Every man had his mobilisation instructions and every company its appointed place, as a link in the defence of the settlement. A plan of co-operation with the well organised police force, and the foreign marines who might be in the harbour, was drawn up by the staff, police, and naval authorities, and revised from time to time.

Mobilisation occasionally brought to light the incompleteness of the kit of many of the men; but whatever things the men might lack, there was never any mistake in the matter of rifles and their equipment.

All the international companies wore the familiar British khaki uniform; and the various national units sported the military dress of their respective countries; but they all in common had the badge of Shanghai city arms on their caps.

At the big parades, when some old asthmatic Indian general inspected the foreign legion it was easy to differentiate the nations. The Americans had their "Sam Brown" belts and ammunition adorning their bodies, the Japanese so much smaller than the others, the Portuguese black-vested; and then among the internationals a tall, blonde Scandinavian by the side of a black Jew from Omsk, Italians and Lithuanians, Germans, and Poles, and all the rest.

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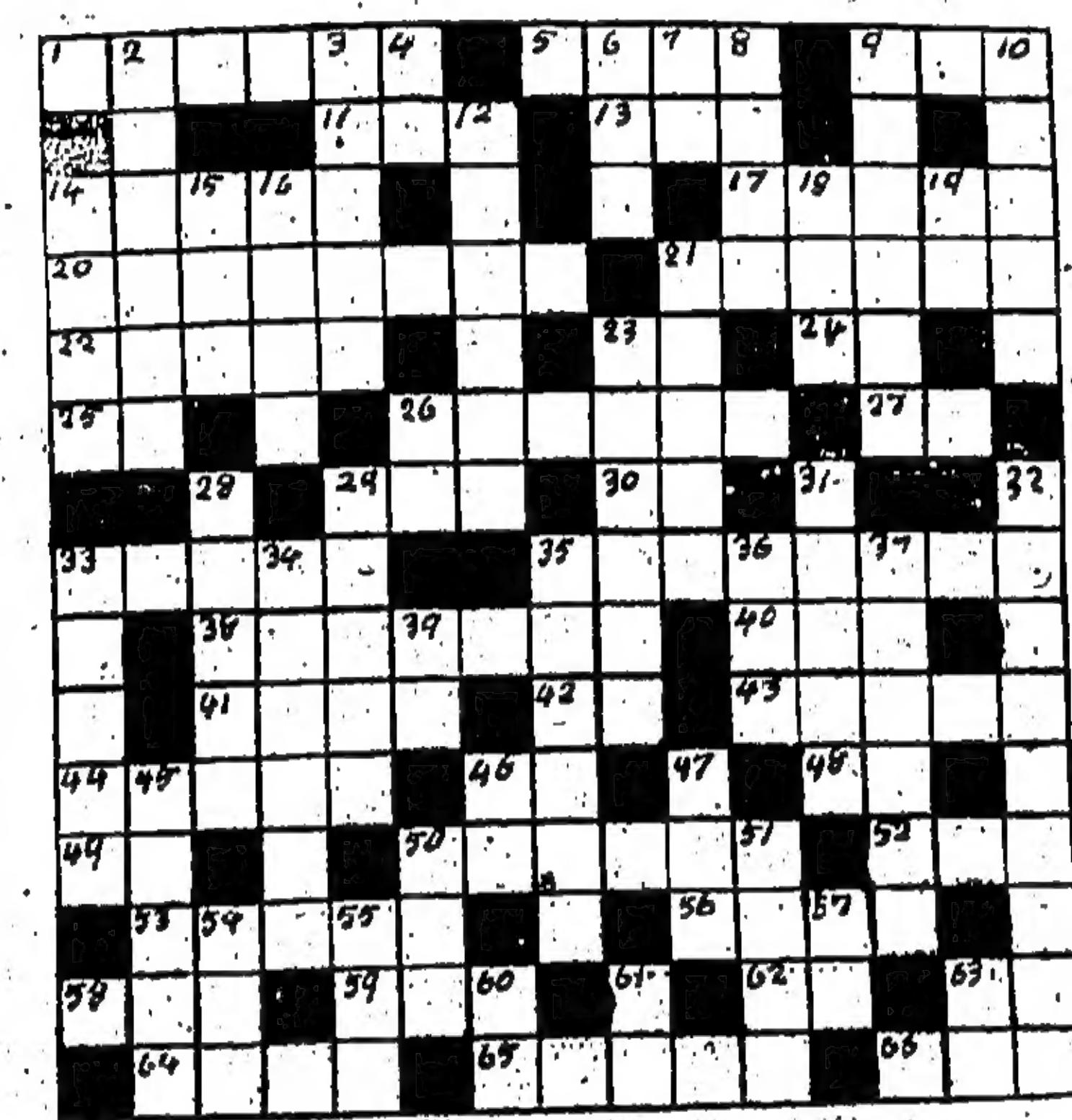
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2. To inflame.
3. To walk in pompous manner.
4. EA (actual).
5. Fish.
6. Press: ind. of 'Have'.
7. Denotes presence.
8. Delete.
9. A leap.
10. Footprint.
11. Lowing.
12. An important date.
13. Sharp or sour.
14. Not new.
15. NI (actual).
16. A feature.
17. A girl's name.
18. A widow's right.
19. A feature.
20. A feature.
21. Pertaining to the 'Pelvis'.
22. A feature.
23. North East (abbrev.).
24. Prefix meaning 'down'.
25. A point of the compass.
26. Produced by aid of the teeth.
27. In the direction of.
28. A hill.
29. A bone.
30. To tremble.
31. Appearance to hide reality.
32. The winged sandals of 'Hermes'.
33. A girl's name.
34. The handle of a sword.
35. LX (actual).
36. The nitrate of potash.
37. A faint deposit of the Plisto-ceramic.
38. A mineral.
39. Floating on the surface.
40. Sixty.
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A STORM OF PROTEST.

The Falmouth Harbour Commissioners have asked Mr. Wheatley Cobb, the owner of the old frigate "Foudroyant," to take immediate steps to remove the vessel. They also propose to consult Captain W. H. Downam, the owner of the "Cutty Sark," the famous China tea-clipper, on his return to Falmouth, with reference to the anchorage of that ship.

The vessels are moored in the inner harbour. The "Foudroyant," which is a training ship for boys, has occupied her present berth for more than twenty years.

The Commissioners' demand has evoked a storm of protest. They contend that the berths occupied by the ships are required for the commercial development of the harbour, and that an application has been received from a cable ship for accommodation.

One Commissioner declared that the two vessels, which he described as "two old bits of wood," had no sentimental value for him, and another claimed that the Harbour Board wanted to remove the "Foudroyant" to make room for two ships which would bring to the tradespeople of Falmouth £5 for every shilling spent at present.

Mr. Wheatley Cobb's Offer.

In his reply to the Harbour Board Mr. Wheatley Cobb pointed out that the frigate came to Falmouth in 1903, and no complaint had been made that she was in the way. He had trained a large number of boys entirely at his own expense. The ship cost him £5,000 a year and nearly all that money was spent in Falmouth. If the "Foudroyant" went to the famous old battleship "Imperiale" (of which Mr. Wheatley Cobb has the care) must go as well, or someone else found to take charge of her.

Mr. Wheatley Cobb now offers to pay any reasonable dues for the berth of the ship and to move her to the outer harbour during the summer on condition that she is allowed to return to her present berth in the winter, and to contribute £500 towards the cost of dredging the inner harbour.

The Harbour Board are still considering the position. Both the "Foudroyant" and the "Cutty Sark" are big assets to Falmouth as a holiday resort.

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WORLD'S NAVIES.

BRITAIN'S LEAD IN
CRUISERS.

Particulars of the fleets of the British Empire, the United States of America, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, and the Soviet Union are contained in a Blue Book published by his Majesty's Stationery Office, price 2s. The following table shows the number of vessels built by the respective countries:

Battleships & Cruisers. Flotilla leaders & destroyers. Submarines.

British Empire	18	48	174	55
United States	18	32	309	121
Japan	10	33	109	58
France	9	16	54	44
Italy	16	14	71	42
Soviet Union	5	7	83	23
Germany	8	8	17	—

*including 4 battle cruisers in each case.

+including 14 fitted as mine-layers.

+classified as large torpedo boats.

The ships at present building include two British and one Soviet battleship; 14 British, 5 American, 6 Japanese, 5 French, 2 Italian, 2 Soviet, and 3 German cruisers; 2 British, 18 Japanese, 30 French, 8 Italian, 24 Soviet, and 12 German flotilla leaders and destroyers; 9 British, 3 American, 19 Japanese, 48 French, 15 Italian, and 3 Soviet submarines. The Soviet cruisers and destroyers are of pre-revolutionary design, and the work is proceeding slowly, or in some cases is entirely stopped.

Up to the financial year 1929 Britain has projected 9 cruisers, 27 flotilla leaders and destroyers, and 18 submarines. America has projected 13 cruisers, of which only three are authorised, 12 destroyers, and 4 submarines. Japan up to 1931-32 has projected 4 cruisers, 15 destroyers, and 6 submarines. France up to 1929 contemplates 2 cruisers, 19 flotilla leaders and destroyers, and 20 submarines, and she also proposes to lay down 4 second-class submarines each year in 1928 and 1929. Italy in 1927-8 projects 3 cruisers, 8 destroyers, and 8 submarines. Germany in 1927 projects one cruiser only.

No authentic programme has been issued by the Soviet Union.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B. I. s.s. "Janus" left Kobe for this port on April 13, a.m., and is due here to-day. The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" (Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N.R.) will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon to-morrow. The Ben Line s.s. "Benmoh" from Leith, Middlesex, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on April 27. The P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" from Hong Kong arrived London on 16th April at 5 p.m.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong from London and Singapore by the s.s. "Hakone Maru" on April 17, included:- Mr. J. Baldock, Mr. T. Bu an, Miss M. Claycock, Miss E. Coyle, Mr. O. E. Davies, Mr. J. Dudgeon, Miss S. G. Duff, Mrs. G. M. Fraser, Mr. C. G. Herring, Mr. Lee Hon-chee, Miss M. S. F. Holtkamp, Mr. R. F. Inkpen, Mr. C. H. Kley, Mr. E. A. MacDonald, Miss M. Meulemans, Miss M. E. Neville, Mr. R. N. Reuben, Miss M. E. Shearer, Mrs. M. H. Thomas, Mr. J. F. Van Nieuwkooy, Mr. G. J. E. Versteegh, Mr. W. Warren, Mrs. Warren, Mr. T. W. Willard, Mr. H. Jory, Mr. R. A. May, Mr. D. Mennie, Mr. H. I. Pridie Brunne, Mr. W. Palmer, Dr. W. R. Souter, Baron and Baroness A. Matsui, Mrs. E. New, Master P. New, Dr. H. Odier, Miss F. Odier, Mr. and Mrs. W. Winkler, Mr. H. Hansen.

DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed from Hong Kong by the s.s. "Hakone Maru" for Japan via Shanghai on April 18 included:- Mrs. E. Hall, Mrs. D. Johnston, Mr. F. A. MacDonald, Mr. D. Mentie, Commander T. Mogi, Dr. H. Odier, Miss F. Odier, Col. S. Iida, Mr. Jory, Col. and Mrs. A. Samba, Mr. O. E. Davies, Baron and Baroness H. Matsui, Mr. and Mrs. Winckler, Major K. Abe, Mr. J. F. Van Nieuwkooy, Mr. C. H. Kley, Mr. and Mrs. W. Warren, Miss M. E. Shearer, Mr. Mr. Dudgeon, Mrs. E. New, Master P. New, Mr. P. Parsram, Mr. Pridie Brunne, Mrs. S. Karpappa, Miss E. Coyle, Miss S. C. Duff, Mrs. C. A. Fraser, Miss F. Odier, Dr. W. R. Souter, Mr. Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Chant, Mr. W. Palmer.

Passengers departed from Hong Kong by the s.s. "Korea Maru" for San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan and Honolulu on April 18, included:- Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Knoke, Mr. L. M. Howe, Miss S. C. Duff, Miss G. A. Fraser, Miss D. Fraser, Miss E. Coyle, Rev. and Mrs. T. B. McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Miller, Mr. F. A. Crampion, Mr. R. W. Crampion, Miss H. Gourdin, Mr. and Mrs. M. Pinto, Rev. and Mrs. Weidemann, Mr. A. N. Campbell, Mr. T. W. Willard, Dr. and Miss Bittner, Master Bittner, Mr. J. S. Alano, Mrs. Alano, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Parish, Mr. M. McLomans, Mr. E. T. Orozco, Mrs. C. Orozco, Mr. and Mrs. O. Roehr, Mrs. P. C. Burrows, Miss E. Calloway, Miss A. Johnson.

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JUMP FROM FERRY BOAT.

A Chinese at noon yesterday attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the harbour from the ferry launch "Night Star" while on the trip from Kowloon. The man was rescued and taken to hospital.

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EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPERESS OF ASIA	July 11	July 15	July 19	July 22	July 31
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 11
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DELTA	8,097	3rd May	Singapore, Colombo & London
LAHORE	7,452	11th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	6,853	11th May	S'pore, P'ang, Colombo, B.P. & K'ch
KHIVA	9,185	14th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
JEYPORE	5,318	20th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	25th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MOREA	10,918	28th May	Marseilles and London
KASHMIR	9,005	11th June	Marseilles and London
MANTUA	10,902	25th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,144	9th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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TILAWA	10,000	29th April	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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ARAFURA	6,000	29th April	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
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NYANZA	7,023	29th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MOREA	10,953	29th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TANDA	6,958	8th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
MIRZAPUR	6,715	10th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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WORLD'S WARSHIPS.

THE PRESENT POSITION
ANALYSED.

OUR NEW BATTLESHIPS.

In view of the American proposal for the further limitation of naval armament and the impending publication of the Navy Estimates, the Admiralty's "Return of Fleets" for 1927 appears at an opportune moment. Not only have the lists of British and foreign warships been brought right up to date, but the tabular contents are now arranged in a more compact form, and the strength of each navy in ships completed and building, as distinct from those that are merely projected, may be measured at a glance.

The Return shows how drastically the capital ship tonnage of the leading fleets has been reduced since the Washington Conference. On the outbreak of war Great Britain alone had forty-two Dreadnoughts ready or under construction. To-day the collective Dreadnoughts of the seven principal navies barely exceed sixty. Only eight battle-cruisers are now in existence, and no ships of this type are building. So far as Dreadnought construction is concerned the "naval holiday" is already an accomplished fact.

Cruisers.

Taking cruisers first, the British Empire is found to have four hundred building, with nine more projected for the period ending with the fiscal year of 1929. If this programme is carried out (and its fate is obviously bound up with that of the present Government) we shall have eventually twenty-three cruisers of the so-called "Treaty" class. The number of similar vessels now being built in the United States, Japan, France, and Italy is eighteen, while twelve others are projected, excluding the ten American ships which the Butler Bill seeks to authorise.

In capital ships we have a numerical margin of two over the United States, though this is rather discounted by the superior tonnage and later design of many of the American units. We have also a definite superiority in aircraft-carriers. But in destroyers and submarines we are far below a one-power standard, and in spite of the current building programme, our relative strength in both types of craft continues to decline.

A very formidable mass of submarine tonnage is now afloat and on the stocks. The six leading Powers have already built or laid down 355 submarines, while fifty more additional boats are contemplated. There is no trace here of that limitation of submarine strength which is the real crux of the naval disarmament problem. Moreover, the submarine itself exhibits a progressive increase in size, range, and offensive power.

Nelson and Rodney.

In the present return the Admiralty has released some interesting details of the new British warships that will soon be hoisting the pennant. Of these the most important are the two battleships, Nelson and Rodney, which have hitherto been veiled in mystery. They are the first battleships to have geared turbines, designed for an output of 45,000 s.h.p. and 23 knots.

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The German navy occupies a by no means insignificant place in the tables. Apart from its older ships it possesses a brand-new cruiser.

The Emden and has three other ships of this class building, while a fifth is projected. Twelve powerfully destructive are now on the ways.

The navy of the Soviet Union also makes an impressive showing on paper, with its long list of battleships and smaller frigates, but judging from the footnotes appended to this section the actual fighting value of the "Red" fleet is decidedly problematical.

B.I. VESSEL ASHORE.

London, April 1. The British India Line steamer "Gandara," bound from Hamburg to India, sent a wireless message that she had run aground on the Morocco coast in close proximity to Alcazar.

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MR. O'CONNOR AND BOARD'S
ACTIVITIES.

A NEW BASIS FOR OPERATORS.

The latest issue of "Commerce Reports" (the official organ of the United States Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce) contains an article by Mr. T. V. O'Connor, chairman of the United States Shipping Board, in which he reviews the situation of the American Merchant Marine. The policy of transferring lines to private ownership progressed, he remarks, with considerable success over a period of three or four years, "until now it has become evident that there are no more purchasers willing to invest their money in foreign-trade shipping under current conditions."

Although a critical period has thus been reached, Mr. O'Connor considers that the past year has renewed the people's interest in keeping the American flag on the seas, "partly because of the practical activities of the Shipping Board," and partly because the facts brought out at the recent inquiries held by the Board in various parts of the country "were a revelation to many of the citizens who attended them." His article continues: "The practical activities referred to consisted in supplying an extra number of ships for use in exporting large amounts of American cotton, grain, flour and other commodities which were pressing for shipment at the time the British coal strike stimulated high rates in the American coal export trade. Early in the summer, it will be recalled, the wheat farmers of the Middle West began to harvest a bumper crop of winter wheat. The exportable surplus of this crop was large, and there was plenty of demand for it in Europe; but high rates in the coal trade had diverted the greater number of ships usually in our grain trade; grain prices tended to sag for want of transportation. As in 1924, the Shipping Board supplied extra tonnage; the general level of ocean freight rates, which was unexpectedly advanced as a result of the British coal strike, does not appear likely to sink as low as it was last spring. The rates now in effect are believed to be fair and reasonable, and their maintenance undoubtedly will be helpful to American shipping. The Shipping Board is prepared to combat rate advances which do not appear justified in the light of current conditions; and any such increases, if proposed, by foreign lines, will not for an instant be tolerated by the lines over which the Shipping Board has control."

Prospects for 1927.

At the outset of the new year the prospects for American shipping seem brighter than they did 12 months ago. Better rates are obtainable for trans-Atlantic freight and American-line passenger ships are in a stronger position. The general level of ocean freight rates, which was unexpectedly advanced as a result of the British coal strike, does not appear likely to sink as low as it was last spring. The rates now in effect are believed to be fair and reasonable, and their maintenance undoubtedly will be helpful to American shipping. The Shipping Board is prepared to combat rate advances which do not appear justified in the light of current conditions; and any such increases, if proposed, by foreign lines, will not for an instant be tolerated by the lines over which the Shipping Board has control.

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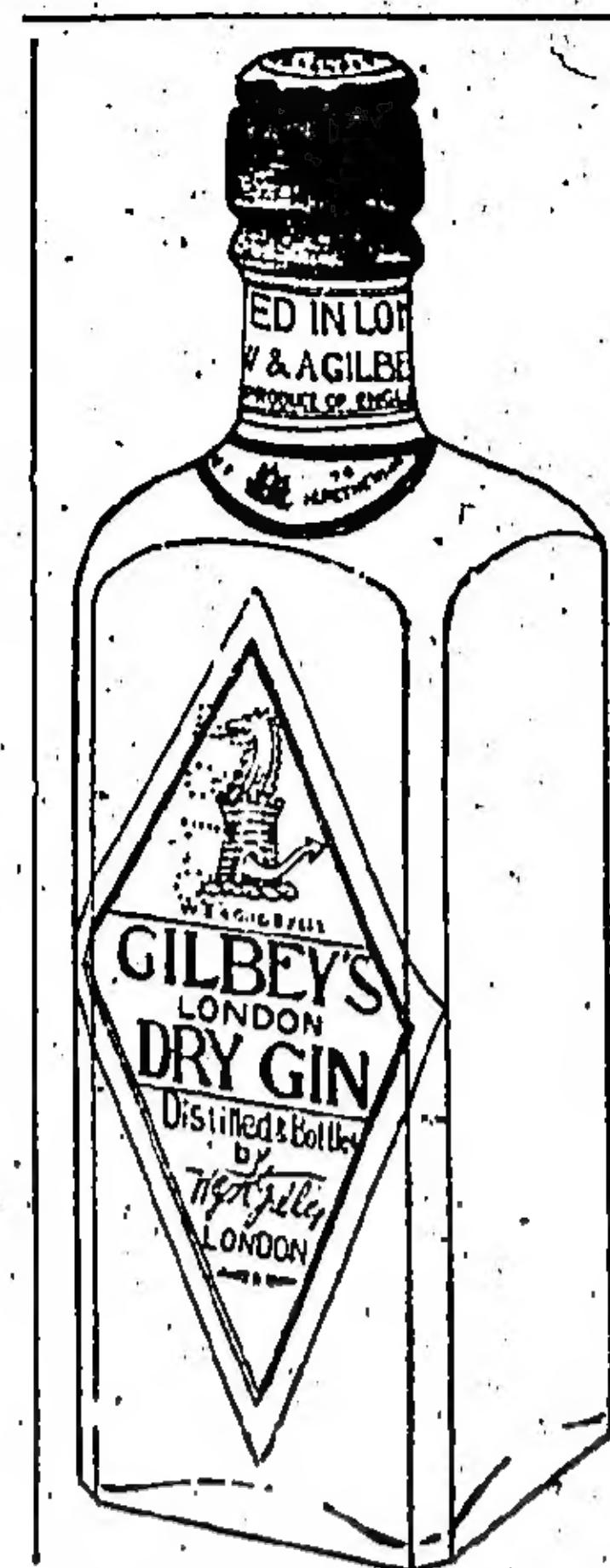
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Hong Kong, Tuesday, April 19, 1927.

MR. CHEN'S REPLY.

Did Mr. Eugene Chen really expect the Powers to accept his reply to their Note regarding the Nanking outrages? The question has more than an academic interest—it goes to the very root of the problem. Mr. Chen is a man of sanguine temperament and something of a gambler in the political sense. But for his optimism, coupled with marked personal ability, he could not hold the position he occupies to-day. Thus it is possible he may have deceived himself into believing that he could play a game of wits and win. He may have deceived himself into believing that he could succeed, not only in turning the Powers' protest aside, but in breaking their new found unity. On the other hand Mr. Chen, when he framed his reply, may have had misgivings as to its wisdom. He may even have frankly believed it to be a mistake, alike, perhaps, because he himself saw that it was equivocal and because, mayhap, he realised it would never be accepted by the Powers. In other words Mr. Chen may have sent his reply under pressure against his better judgment. This pressure could have come from two sources: it could have come from General Chiang Kai-shek or it could have come from the Hankow Communists. General Chiang Kai-shek himself received copies of the Powers' Note, and in an interview in Shanghai said he would hold himself responsible for the events in Nanking. None the less it is unlikely that he has had much to do with the framing of Mr. Chen's reply. For one thing, he announced the other day, speaking as a soldier, that he was leaving foreign affairs to the politicians, and for another, ever since the Nanking outrages, he has had his hands full dealing with his Communist enemies. Consequently it seems safe to assume that the pressure under which Mr. Chen framed his reply did not come from General Chiang Kai-shek. The pressure almost certainly came from the Hankow Reds. Presumably this fact has not been overlooked by the Governments of the five Powers concerned. Determined as they have been from the outset to exact reparation, they will

be adamant now. The Nanking outrages were serious enough as it was without being used for the purposes of the basest intrigue. Consequently the new Note which we are told to-day the Powers are now preparing is likely to be one that will brook no quibbling. If Mr. Chen's first reply was merely a personal effusion, the new Note will let him see that he has badly overreached himself. If the reply was dictated by the Reds, the new Note will let the Moscow gang in Hankow see that their game is up at last. Whichever it is, the new Note, by removing all doubts as to the Powers' intentions, can only have the best results.

A Danger.

Mr. Rodney Gilbert is frankly sceptical of the ability of the Chinese to preserve peace and order in any part of their country. The serious Nationalist reverses on the Yangtze, he says, should not lull foreigners in Shanghai into a false sense of security. With this view most people will agree. There must be nothing in the nature of a "toning down" of the foreign attitude, notwithstanding the "new broom" in Canton and at other places under the immediate domination of General Chiang Kai-shek. It is reported that the labourers were not armed with rifles and pistols, but were a group of the new organisation known as the "hatchet brigade" which has been formed to carry on the work of the armed civilians, now unarmed. They were a part of the group of 20,000 demonstrators who had held a mass meeting on the previous night and marched to the Huchow Guild where the new brigade was inaugurated.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

MILITARY BANDS.

To the Editor of the "China Mail":

Sir.—The public is greatly appreciating the various performances by the military Bands at the Queen's and Star Theatres. Here in Kowloon especially the appearances at the Star of the Cameronians' Band is being very favourably commented upon.

As a mother, however, I find that it is very inconvenient to attend the 9.15 performances, declining to leave my "kiddies" in charge of an irresponsible amanuensis to leave. And still I would like to hear the Band at the Star.

It might be possible, once in a way, to arrange for the Band appearing at an earlier performance, say 5.15 or 7.15, and so meet the convenience of those unable to go to the 9.15 show. Yours, etc.,

MUSIC LOVER,
Kowloon, April 19.

CHAPAI FIGHT.

Women and Children
Killed.

PLACED IN FRONT LINE.

Shanghai, April 14.

Close to 30 persons, many of them, women and children, were killed and more than double that number wounded in two battles which took place yesterday afternoon in Chapei between armed labourers and details of uniformed and civilian soldiers.

The most spectacular of these battles was fought at the entrance to the headquarters of General Chow Feng-chi, (who lives in the French Concession) and commands the only brigade of Nationalist soldiers who were once troops in the Chekiang Army and who went over after Sun Chuan-fang was deposed.

Close to a thousand of the armed labourers who have been up in arms since their positions were raided by the conservatives on Tuesday morning started for the headquarters, not far from the Commercial Press building during the early afternoon and arrived at the gates shortly before 4 o'clock. Women and Children in Front.

The aim of the agitators was to get back their arms which had been taken from them. Knowing that they would be shot down in cold blood should the men attempt to rush the stronghold, they put in front of them their women and children, thinking that the soldiers would not fire.

They were miserably deceived for, when within a few yards of the gates, an order was given to fire and it is said, close to 20 of the attackers, mostly the women and children in the front ranks, fell dead.

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"STOLE IN DESPAIR."

One month's hard labour was the sentence passed by Major Willson this morning on a young Chinese described as a jeweller's apprentice who was convicted of the theft of seven pieces of gold the property of his master.

Accused, who admitted the charge, said he was badly treated by his master and in despair stole the gold to raise money for his passage back to the country.

According to the police two pieces of the gold were actually pawned by the accused, which the remaining five were found on his person.

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WOMEN ROBBED.

HOUSE ENTERED IN
DAYLIGHT.

JEWELLERY STOLEN.

Two Chinese were charged at the Criminal Sessions this morning (before Mr. Justice Wood) with complicity in a daylight robbery from a house in Bridges Street.

The robbery in respect of which the prisoners were charged took place in broad daylight, shortly after noon on the 12th ult. Three women were in the flat in question alone at the time, the husband of one having left to get medicine because she was sick.

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The evidence against the two prisoners rested entirely on their identification by the women who were robbed, said Mr. H. K. Holmes, prosecuting for the Crown. All three women had picked out the first prisoner from a parade as one of the men who had participated in the robbery. Two of them had picked out the second man.

There was no direct evidence against the men, it was explained. The Police had gone on board the "Kinshau," acting on information, and had arrested the first prisoner who, on seeing the Police, had thrown overboard a packet which on being recovered by the police was found to contain \$30 in notes.

The second man was also arrested on receipt of information, the arrest being made at the Tung Yan Club in Queen's Road, a Club from which it would be proved, said the Crown Solicitor, that they had both left about the same time on the day of the robbery.

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"ALL IS NOT GOLD."

CHINESE WOMAN'S PRETTY
FRAUDS.

A Chinese woman was this morning sentenced by Mr. Lindell to three months' jail for having pawned a rolled gold lead hair pin for \$7 by representing it to be solid gold. She also gave a wrong name and address to a Shaukiwan pawn broker. Emboldened by her success accused went to another pawn shop in the vicinity and attempted to pawn a similar pin for \$6. She had shown no eagerness to receive the money. This led the pawn broker to bore a hole in the pin and the fraud was discovered.

After her arrest a third pin was found on accused's person. These pins were valued by one of the prosecuting pawn brokers at a little over a dollar each.

As the result of a quarrel at No. 36, Catchick Street, yesterday a Chinese was badly injured in the head and had to go to the hospital for treatment.

Falling down a flight of steps in Chun Sling Street, while under the influence of liquor, a Chinese yesterday suffered injuries which had to be treated in hospital.

Knocked down in Queen's road West by a motor cycle ridden by Mr. A. Hamid, a Chinese boy was yesterday taken to the hospital suffering from injuries to his head and legs.

The Magistrate remanded accused for a week, allowing bail in the sum of \$100.

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PEKING RAID.

Soviet Charge d'Affaires Leaving.

PROTEST TAKEN CALMLY.

Peking, April 12.

The Soviet Charge d'Affaires and his staff are expected to

MR. CHEN'S REPLY.

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Many of the more far-seeing Chinese, however, had realised for some time past that the Bolsheviks' efforts might lead to the ruin of their country. The military leaders of the Kuomintang had now perceived that the agitation of the extremist labour unions had completely undermined discipline.

Sir Francis Aglen continued: "It will be created again if an examination of the Bolshevik influence is brought about by the Chinese themselves. It might then be possible to prevent those acts of violence which are instigated by the extremists, and which make it necessary for the foreign Powers to take exceptional measures to protect their nationals.

With the removal of the extremist few from power the way would be clear for the re-establishment of normal and friendly relations between foreigners and all sections of the Chinese people.—British Wireless Service.

LABOUR FOLLY.

Ignorance and Prejudice At Home.

London, April 18.

A conference of the Independent Labour Party at Leicester passed a resolution protesting against British military measures in China, calling for the withdrawal of the armed forces and an impartial inquiry into the occurrences at Nanking, protesting against the sending of Indian troops to China "against the wishes of the Indian people," and pledging the conference to refuse all war services, including the manufacture and transport of munitions in the event of war.

Mr. Shinwell described the last-named proposal as heating the air, asking the engineers, dockers and railwaymen to do what the trade unionists at present were not prepared to do.—Reuter.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Sir Francis Aglen on the Future.

London, April 18.

Undoubtedly all sections of the community are united in desiring to abolish the privileged position of the foreigner, declared Sir Francis Aglen who was interviewed by Reuter on his return from Peking. Such a national feeling cannot be ignored; it has "simply got to be recognised."

He added that recent reports, however, indicate that a considerable section of the Chinese people is beginning to realise that the policy hitherto pursued under Russian direction is fraught with danger to the country.

It is sincerely hoped that the present movement will bring into being a really stable government as the present civil strife is doing untold harm.

All sensible Chinese are well aware of that fact and until there is a responsible authority with which the foreign Powers can negotiate, there is no hope for the commercial prosperity of the country.

Stronger Note Urged.

The "Daily Telegraph," in a leader on the subject of Eugene Chen's Note, wherein it speaks of the calculated insult to the intelligence of the Powers, says that the foreign Ministers at Peking are agreed that the situation requires the despatch of a much stronger statement of the Powers' requirements and intentions, and this would seem to involve the fixing of a time limit for the giving of satisfaction to the demands.

Simultaneously the naval authorities along the Yangtze River have been instructed to prepare a scheme to enforce the penalties in the event of satisfaction being again refused.

It adds that what is not in doubt is the intention of Britain to secure the necessary redress if possible in co-operation with others, if not by taking her own measures.—Reuter.

Gunboat Shelled.

Shanghai, April 18. A wireless message from Nanking states that three four-inch guns on Lion Hill, Nanking, are bombarding Pukow. The United States destroyer "Ford" was hit by rifle fire from Nanking.

The Chinese gunboat "Chutai," one of the 750 tons class, and flying the Rear-Admiral's flag, was hit by a six-inch shell from the north bank of the river near Chinkiang. The shell struck the hull below the bridge, passing right through without bursting and making a hole three feet in diameter. The gunboat has been beached.—Reuter.

Missionary Exodus.

Shanghai, April 18. The present Easter tide will long be remembered for the re-

WAR NEWS.

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South Evacuating Pukow. A spectacular engagement at Pukow between the "Nationalist" and Northern batteries, north of Pukow is reported from several reliable sources.

The Southerners are slowly but steadily evacuating Pukow under cover of naval-barrages and the last of them are probably, at this writing, safe in Nanking. Well informed local Chinese are very certain that Pukow, when taken by the Shantung men, will be the southern limit of General Chang Tsung-chang's operations.

It is said with assurance that his two fatal ventures south of the Yangtse have cost him so much in prestige and material supplies and has netted him so little, that he has readily agreed with Marshal Sun Chuan-fang not to operate south of the Yangtse.

Strategy of 1913.

It is presumed that, if he takes Pukow, he will worry the Nanking defenders as Feng Kuo-cheng did Huang Hsin in 1913, by shelling such fortified positions as are within range, until Sun Chuan-fang is ready to come up river along the railway, as Chang Haun did and attack the city from the hills.

The same local strategists—northern adherents, of course—say that Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's army is now in excellent form and is as well equipped as it was when withdrawn from this area. Not only were all supplies transported north of the Yangtse in the course of the retreat but essential parts of the arsenal machinery as well were carried away, according to these informants.

Wu Pei-fu's Campaign.

It would surprise none of the local Northern sympathizers if General Chiang Kai-shek, finding himself betrayed by his Communist subordinates, were to join the Northerners and assist in ridding this area of all those who take orders from Hankow.

Wireless messages from Hankow seem to confirm the report that Wu Pei-fu is in command of an allied army that has cleared Honan of Southern troops and that he is in possession of the Wu-hsing-kuang pass, between which and Hankow there are no natural barriers.

It is further related, however, that a strong "Nationalist" force, made up of half the available troops in the Wu-Han area has set out to invade Honan and strike at Wu Pei-fu's rear by a most circuitous route through Anhui.

Strength Exaggerated.

The strength of this army is said to be 60,000, which is manifestly an exaggeration. It is said to have moved north-eastwards to Macheng, then forward in the same direction into Anhui with the Yingchow pass as its objective. From Yingchow a highway runs north-west to Chow-kin-kow, whence an invading force might make a dash at Yen-cheng and cut the Peking-Hankow railway, or move northwards upon Kaifeng.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu's local agents profess to have read the first report of his resumption of command in the local papers yesterday. They say that it is quite true that General Chang Hsueh-liang (son of Marshal Chang Tao-lin) has returned to Peking to recover from an alleged sickness, but that Wu Pei-fu, when last heard from, was living near Tai-yuan-fu and had refused flatly to take command in Honan. They are as interested as all other residents in finding out what can have transpired in Honan to bring Wu Pei-fu into the field again.—N. C. Daily News.

THREAT ON FLANK.

Are Northerners Retiring From Pukow?

Shanghai, April 15. News of the northern invasion of the Yangtse continues to be nebulous, but indirect reports of the events of the last 48 hours are of a surprising character.

Reports reached Shanghai yesterday morning through a foreign medium that a complete Northern evacuation of all the positions won during the past week was under way. According to these reports, which could not be officially confirmed last night, Sun Chuan-fang had withdrawn his entire force to Yangchow while Chang Tsung-chang had again moved his army back from Pukow to Penghu.

The current explanation is that a flanking movement, carried out in Anhui by the "Nationalist" General, Chen Tiao-yuan, suddenly threatened Penghu and the rear of Chang Tsung-chang's army, thereby forcing a retreat, which in turn prompted Sun Chuan-fang to draw in his advance units.—N. C. Daily News.

What more than eighty percent of the six thousand Protestant missionaries in China at the beginning of the year have now departed. Those remaining are mostly in the Treaty ports. The exact number of Catholic missionaries who still remain has not been determined but it is known that they have been driven out in large numbers by the Communists.—Reuter.

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TRADES UNION.

Important Government Measure.

GENERAL STRIKES ILLEGAL.

Rugby, April 18.

The most important measure which will come before Parliament after Easter will be the Government's Trade Union Bill. It is probable, says the "Times," that the second reading of the Bill, will take place on May 4, the anniversary of the beginning of last year's general strike which was directly responsible for the production of the Bill.

After the second reading it is clear that there will be a large number of amendments.

A determined effort will be made so to amend the wording of the Bill as will apply both to strikes and lockouts, and there is little doubt, adds the "Times," that the Government will be prepared to accept amendments on these lines.

In a letter addressed to Mr. John Buchan, Conservative candidate in the by-election for the Scottish Universities, Mr. Stanley Baldwin declares: "The campaign of misrepresentation of the Bill by our political opponents has already begun."

"The Bill aims at restoration to the individual trades unionist of freedom from victimisation, intimidation and unjustifiable pressure to contribute to political funds with objects of which he may be out of sympathy."

"The Bill is designed to make clear beyond all possibility of doubt the illegality of such an attempt as the general strike to coerce the Government or intimidate the community."—British Wireless Service.

FOUND ON BEACH.

CHARMS THAT BROUGHT NO LUCK.

Two Chinese youths were this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with the unlawful possession of two small charms, one of which was described by the police as a solid gold Indian Buddha worth \$26.

First accused, who was arrested with the charms in his possession, said they were given to him by No. 2 to pawn.

This was admitted by second accused who said he picked up the charms on the beach while bathing at Telegraph Bay.

The Magistrate inquired why No. 2 did not pawn the things himself.

No. 2 accused: I said they were made of brass and he said it was gold so I told him to try to pawn them.

First accused was given fourteen days' jail and second accused three weeks.

CRICKETER'S LOSSES.

London, March 23. The Worcestershire bowler, C. F. Root, has been granted a discharge from bankruptcy, at Dudley, on the payment of a sum enabling his creditors to receive a final dividend of £1,100. in the pound.

Root gave a £100 War Loan presented to him by the Worcestershire cricketers and was also willing to give up a gold presentation watch.

It was stated that Root had not made profit on the South African or West Indies tours. The cricketers had to pay a shilling a bottle for drinking-water in the West Indies. The judge remarked it is cheaper to drink beer.

SINCLAIR SENTENCE POSTPONED.

Washington, D.C., April 10. The sentencing of Harry Sinclair for contempt of the United States Senate has been postponed thirty days.

Sinclair's difficulties with the Senate arose out of testimony he was asked to give the investigating committee in the oil-scandal inquiry.

NEW PRAYER BOOK.

London, March 30. The Church of England Bishops, in convocation, passed a resolution forwarding the revised Prayer Book to the National Assembly for final approval.

The voting for Canterbury Pro-

vince showed 21 in favour and four against the revised volume.

A resolution moved on behalf of York Province gave unanimous affirmation.

The Lower House, in convoca-

tion, concurred by overwhelming

majorities.

MILITARY DEATH PENALTY.

London, March 30. The House of Commons, by 269

votes to 134, rejected a Labour pro-

posal to abolish death penalty

for military offenders in war time

involving cowardice, treachery, or

desertion to the enemy.

AT THE STAR.

"THE OLD SOAK" TO-DAY & TO-MORROW.

WORLD THEATRE.

"STORY WITHOUT A NAME" TO-DAY & TO-MORROW.

"The Story Without a Name," by Irvin Willat for Paramount, with Agnes Ayres and Antonio Moreno featured in the principal roles, will be shown at the World.

The story, by Arthur Stringer, first appeared as Radio-Fritz story in "Photoplay Magazine." Victor Irvin wrote the screen play.

It tells of a young inventor, working for the U.S. Government, who has just perfected a "death ray" machine, an invention destined to revolutionize modern warfare.

Trouble occurs in the family and the old man proves his integrity of character by shouldering the blame to save his son.

The picture is admirably directed by Edward Sloman, the man who made that screen masterpiece, "His People." Here, however, in "The Old Soak," we have a picture of infinitely more appeal. This picture is made for everybody and is an especially timely feature, touching on the prohibition question as it does.

Too much praise cannot be given to the juvenile leads of the picture, George Lewis and June Marlowe. For youngsters they give delineations that would do credit to old troupers.

As the mother, Lucy Beaumont adds an ineffable touch of sweet-ness, while Louise Fazenda is as rollicking as funny as she is expected to be.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

April 19—Queen's Theatre: "Poker Faces."

April 19—World Theatre: "The Story Without a Name."

April 19—Star Theatre: "The Old Soak."

April 19—Second dance, of the Hong Kong Dance Club, Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 8.30 p.m.

April 20—H.M.S. "Frobisher's" dance at Hotel Savoy, 8.30 p.m.

April 21—Dance in the Gymnasium at Police Headquarters, commencing 4 p.m.

April 29—Concert for Service men at the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A., Chater Road.

Sports.

April 20—Seventh bi-annual race for the "Travessa" Trophy, commencing 4 p.m.

April 21—Eleventh annual meeting of St. Joseph's College, H.K.C.C. Ground, Happy Valley.

Meetings.

April 19—Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

April 19—Adjudged meeting of Marine Engineers' Guild (Hong Kong branch) 67, Des Vosse Road, Central, 5 p.m.

April 21—Second Meeting of China Light & Power Co., Ltd. 1.15 p.m.

April 23—Telephone Co.'s second annual meeting, at Exchange Bldg., 11 a.m.

April 25—Meeting of all Company Commanders and Officers at Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m. to discuss future training pro-

gramme of the R.K.V.D. Corps.

Lammert's Auctions.

April 20—At No. 80, Ashley Rd., Kowloon, valuable household furniture, 11 a.m.

April 21—Knitting machines, Otoh and Cameras, Sales Room, 11 a.m.

April 21—Valuable household furniture, 10; Knutsford Terrace, 2.45 p.m.

April 22—Ladies' Novelties, etc., Sales Room, Duddell St., 11 a.m.

April 22—Great Methodist Rally at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai, commencing at 6 p.m.

April 22—Practical demonstration

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

To-day is Primrose Day, with which the memory of Lord Beaconsfield is associated.

At the Hotel Savoy to-morrow evening, the ship's company of H.M.S. "Frobisher" are holding ball.

Reminder: Local Methodist Rally to-morrow at Hong Kong Wesleyan Church (Queen's Road East, opposite Royal Naval Hospital, Wan Chai). Tea at 6 p.m.; public-meeting 7 p.m.

The bi-annual "Trevessa" Trophy race for ship's lifeboats, always an interesting event for both the shipping and general community, is to be decided to-morrow under the auspices of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

The following artistes will appear at the concert for Service men to be given at the "Cheer-O" Y.M.C.A., Chater Road, on April 29.—Mrs. H. Buleau, Mrs. G. Watt, Mrs. G. Griggs, Mr. H. Glover, Mr. S. Hamer and Mr. G. E. Longyear.

During the five days from last Thursday to Easter Monday, only four cases of notifiable disease in the Colony were reported to the Medical Officer of Health. All four patients were Chinese, with enteric fever (typhoid), three being from the city registration district and the other from the New Territories.

The "Straits Times" (Singapore) last week had a visit from Mr. Edmund Zscheile, a German actor and poet, who is making a walking tour round the world for the purpose of propagating Esperanto as the international language. He left Leipzig in August 1923 and has traveled throughout Europe, India, China and Japan and hopes to be back in Germany in 1930.

Dr. Cyril Norwood, headmaster of Harrow, described corporal punishment as "by far the most merciful for the English boy" in an address to members of the Indian Students' Hostel in London on "English Public School Life and Character." "It does not take time," he added, "and it does not cause any resentment." Corporal punishment existed in all public schools to-day with few exceptions. Fighting, he said, which was such a feature of public school life a generation or two ago, had now "entirely disappeared."

A large number of parents and friends of the St. Andrew's Troop of Boy Scouts attended the annual display and exhibition of Scout craft given at the Church Hall last night. The Scouts demonstrated the various branches of activity in which they qualify for various badges; the programme including gymnastics, the building of miniature erections used in scouting, the singing of Scout songs, etc. The efficient manner in which the various demonstrations were carried out reflects considerable credit on their Scoutmaster, Mr. T. E. Jackson. During the evening a collection was taken for troop funds.

At an inquest in Rochdale on Beatrice Wilcock, a 10-year-old school-girl, who died suddenly, six causes of death were given by the police surgeon. They were:—

Acute influenza.
Acute tonsillitis.
Acute inflammation of the stomach.
Inflammation of the thyroid gland.
Persistent thymus and cardiac trouble.

It was stated by the father that the girl had appeared to be perfectly healthy and normal, and had never required a doctor in her life. She had shown no signs of illness.

It would be interesting to know exactly what the views of the Nationalists, and Mr. Eugene Chen, are as regards Britain's trade with China, remarks the "Straits Times." From the Cantonese propaganda and Nationalists' speeches we gather that they greatly over-rate this. We can assure those Chinese who regard the boycott of British trade as an overwhelming weapon destined to bring ruin upon the British people that Britain's trade with China is merely a flea-bite compared with Britain's trade with the world. To be exact it only constitutes .009 per cent. Taking 1925 figures the only ones available for the purpose, Britain's trade with the world at large was \$2,600,000,000. The total trade, import and export, with China for the same period was under \$16,000,000. This, in comparison, is a ridiculous figure for the Chinese to aim their poisoned arrows at. What Britain's trade with China might be under a peaceful regime is another matter. But if China wishes to benefit by such, the people generally must adopt a different attitude to the future one now prevalent among them.

For the first time in the history of the crypt, at the House of Commons, Guelph was used in mail week in ceremonial form. This was during the baptism of Aidan, the infant son of Mr. Mackenzie Livingstone, M.P., the 12th Psalm being sung in that language in the course of the choral service. There were about 100 M.P.'s present, representing all parties. They included the Secretary for Scotland (Sir John Gilmour), Mr. J. F. Hope (Deputy Speaker), Sir Robert Hutchison (Liberal Chief Whip) and Sir Godfrey Collins. The Rev. George L. Brander, of Highgate, baptised the child, and other ministers who took part in the service were the Rev. Neil Ross, of Lurgan, and the Rev. James Barr, a Labour M.P.

"A father has the right to choose his child's religion and everything else, and if his wife does not like the decision she must ask the court to decide between them," said Mr. Hay Halkett, the Marylebone magistrate. A city merchant said he wanted to send his 7-years-old son to a boarding school, but his wife objected. Mr. Halkett: You ask for a summons under the Guardianship of Infants Act, but you cannot have it. That is a ridiculous Act and places everything in the woman's hands. But you are the sole guardian at present. Send him to school if you want to; don't pay any attention to her. If she wants to challenge your right she can do so under the Act, but at present you can do as you like. You are master.

Mr. George R. Mackessack, of Ardgate, ex-Convener of Morayshire, on the occasion of completing his jubilee as a member, was a guest at the annual dinner at Elgin of Moray Farmers' Club. In his early days, he said, there were no fewer than thirteen large flour mills doing business in the North of Scotland; now they had almost vanished. The public of to-day were not eating so much oatmeal. That was a pity, because oatmeal gave brawn, muscle, and brain. To-day people went in more for loaf bread, sweet comestibles, and cigarette smoking. "How on earth," exclaimed Mr. Mackessack, "can we expect to rear a strong, healthy race in that way?"

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. J. H. Greene, Shanghai manager of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, is attending a conference in Tokyo concerning transportation to Europe, via Siberia and Russia.

Among the passengers on the N.Y.K. "Korea Maru" which left Hong Kong yesterday for Shanghai, Japan and San Francisco were Miss H. Gourdin, Rev. and Mrs. T. B. McMillan, Rev. and Mrs. Weidemann, Dr. Bitner.

Passengers on the N.Y.K. "Hakone Maru," which arrived from Singapore and has left for Shanghai and Japan included Baron and Baroness A. Matsui, Colonel S. Iida, Colonel and Mrs. A. Samba, Major K. Abe, Commander T. Mogi, Dr. H. Odier, Dr. W. R. Souter.

The Prince of Wales on March 29 played a game of "touch" with a boy aged four years who began by hurling a book at the Prince, in Belgrave Hospital for children, in London. Another little boy gave the Prince a £1 note for the hospital, which his father gave him in gratitude for his cure.

I believe, says a writer in a Home paper, that Mr. Eugene Chen's son and daughter, who joined him in China, are still with him, though Mr. Percy Achan Chen is credited with a desire to return to his home in Trinidad, where he found the brutal yoke of British Imperialism rather more pleasant than the freedom of a Bolshevikised China. Both Percy Chen, who was educated in England, and his sister Sylvia are completely Anglicised. Percy, who had the reputation like most of the Chinese community of being perfectly straight in business, was a practising barrister in Trinidad, and in his spare time a clever Rugby player. Miss Sylvia Chen, petite and graceful, was accounted the best amateur stage dancer on the island, and is a talented actress as well as a good horsewoman. Before he appeared in the role of Chinese patriot, Mr. Eugene Chen was a solicitor in Trinidad. While in the island he never seemed to mix very well with his own people; but in China he has done far better.

About 30 guests were invited by Lord and Lady Astor to meet the King and Queen, who dined with them at 4, St. James's Square.

Viscount Bearsted and Mr. W. H. Shelford have been elected directors of the Alliance Assurance Co. in the place of the late Viscount Bearsted and Mr. H. Melville Simons. Mr. Shelford, like the late Mr. Melville Simons, is a director of Paterson, Simons and Co. He was formerly resident in Singapore and for some time a member of the Legislative Council, where he distinguished himself by his grasp of commercial questions and his independent attitude.

Mr. Ivor Novello has been working—acting and filming—for about 14 hours a day for some time past, and his doctor has now told him that he has overdone it and that he must stop. "But I must somehow carry on with 'The Rat' (the play at the Prince of Wales Theatre) for another three weeks and with 'Down Hill' (a film in which he is taking part) for another week," Mr. Novello said in mail week. "I am medically forbidden to film and act simultaneously for at least six months."

The death has occurred in Brisbane, after a serious illness extending over several months, of the Rev. Dr. Henry Youngman, one of the outstanding figures of the Methodist Church in Australia. The deceased, who was born in England in 1848, went to New South Wales with his parents as a boy, and after a probationary period in the Methodist Ministry in New South Wales was ordained and appointed to Tamworth, after which he served in other parts of that State. He went to Queensland in 1888, and during his ministry there was twice president of the Queensland Methodist Conference, while in 1910 he was elected President-General for Australasia. He is survived by his second wife and three sons and daughters.

The death is announced, at the age of 22, of Mrs. Helena Hennerik Heaton, daughter of the late Sir Henry McCallum, who was Colonial Engineer, Straits Settlements, and afterwards Governor of Ceylon.

The engagement is announced of Mr. George E. Cumming, Craigie Estate, Muar, eldest son of the Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Cumming, Dufftown, Scotland, and Eleanor, younger daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Tom Maude, Christchurch, New Zealand.

Great Britain has been loyally served by many consuls and vice-consuls of Spanish birth and by none more than by Vice-Consul Bartolomé Escudero, who recently died at Mahon at the advanced age of 79 years. No man of his time enjoyed in the Balearic Islands a more solid prestige.

During the 39 years in which he occupied the Vice-Consulate in Minorca he knew personally three British monarchs.

Dr. William E. Hoy, D.D., of the Reformed Church Mission of America, Yochow, Hunan, for over 40 years a missionary in Japan and China, Principal of the Boys' School, Lakeside, Yochow, which was taken over by the Bolsheviks, died on board ship while en route to America. He was buried at sea. His friends state that he died of a broken heart. He was an ardent follower of his missionary work that friends were afraid he might not live to get on the steamer.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong on the "President McKinley" from Shanghai and Seattle included Mr. L. Wasen, Mr. C. F. Meyer and Mrs. B. L. Meyer of the Standard Oil Co.; Mr. S. S. Belz of the Wilbur Ellis Co.; Colonel P. M. Holmsington, President of the First National Bank, Kansas city. Through passengers for Manila included Dr. F. C. Cuauncho of the Rockefeller Foundation; Mr. S. J. Tompkins, financial and commercial editor, "China Press," Shanghai; Mr. E. Schradieck of the Standard Oil Co.; Mr. V. S. Robson; Mr. L. H. Burke, Mr. Richard B. Cook, Mr. Sydney L. Plant.

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SPORTS SECTION

HOME SOCCER.

FULL PROGRAMME IN THE LEAGUE.

RESULTS OF 5 DIVISIONS.

London, April 18.
Principal league football matches to-day (home team given first) resulted:

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.
Aston Villa 2, Arsenal 3.
Cardiff 2, Liverpool 0.
Derby 2, Manchester United 2.
Everton 3, Birmingham 1.
Leicester 1, Bury 1.
Sheffield 1, Bolton 1.
West Bromwich 2, Blackburn 0.
West Ham 1, Tottenham 2.Division II.
Barnsley 2, Portsmouth 0.
Chelsea 1, Wolverhampton 0.
Hull 3, Preston N.E. 1.
Manchester City 7, Darlington 0.
Notts County 4, Bradford City 0.
Oldham 3, Notts Forest 3.
Reading 1, Grimsby 1.
Southampton 1, Clapton Orient 2.
South Shields 2, Blackpool 2.
Swansea 4, Fulham 2.Division III (South).
Aberdare 0, Coventry 7.
Bournemouth 2, Bristol City 0.
Bristol Rovers 3, Swindon 1.
Charlton 1, Plymouth 1.
Crystal Palace 2, Gillingham 2.
Exeter 1, Millwall 1.
Luton 4, Brighton 0.
Norwich 4, Watford 0.
Queen's Park Rangers 2, Newport 0.
Southend 2, Northampton 0.Division III (North).
Ashington 4, Crewe 1.
Barrow 1, Southport 4.
Bradford 5, Wrexham 0.
Durham 4, Lincoln 2.
Nelson 0, Chesterfield 3.
Rochdale 2, Halifax 0.
Stockport 3, Hartlepools 3.
Stoke 0, Doncaster 0.
Tranmere 2, Accrington 1.
Walsall 0, New Brighton 1.
Wigan 0, Rotherham 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.
Queen's Park 1, Dundee 4.
Celtic 0, Rangers 1.

—Reuter.

CHARITY MATCH.

ARMY SOCCER TEAM v. HONG KONG.

IN AID OF M.C.L. FUNDS.

Mrs. Luard, the wife of H.E. the G.O.C., and the President of the Military Branch of the Ministry of Children's League, has organised a grand charity football match between the Army and a representative side of Hong Kong, to take place on the Army ground at So-kum-poo this Saturday.

Sir Shou-sun Chow has kindly promised to kick-off at 4 p.m. when the two teams will be lined up and introduced to him.

The brass and pipe bands of the 2nd Bn. K.O.S.B. (by kind permission of Lt.-Col. L.J. Comyn, C.M.C., D.S.O. and officers) will play from 3.30 p.m. and during half-time.

During half-time Pipe-Major W. Mackie and Pipers will dance Scotch national dances.

Ball to Be Raffled.

Messrs. Lane Crawford, Ltd. have kindly presented the football to be used in the match, which will be raffled at half-time. Tickets for the raffle at 20 cents each will be obtainable on the ground.

A credit card to the value of \$20 has been kindly presented by Messrs. H. Rutledge and Son, No. 16, Queen's Road, Central.

Messrs. Sincere Co., Ltd. have also kindly presented a credit note valued at \$10.

These credit cards will be drawn for during the interval and all purchasers of tickets of admission will be given a free chance. The public are requested to keep their tickets.

As this well known charity is for the benefit of Chinese as well as Europeans, it is hoped that the gate will be record one. The price of admission to the covered stand is \$1 and open stand 50 cents.

Tickets are obtainable from:

Mrs. C. Luard, Headquarter Hsueh; Hon. Sports Secretary, Victoria Barracks; Anderson Music Co.; Moutrie and Co. —Contributed.

NEW BILLIARDS RECORD.

In the second heat of 2,000 up in the British Empire amateur billiards championship at Burroughes Hall, London, Lawrence Steeple of Sheffield, the English champion, met Malcolm Smith of Edinburgh, the holder of the Scottish title.

Steeple made a record break of 236 in an amateur championship (under the revised rules).

RECREIO RALLY.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS MEET THE REST.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL.

Making a fine rally in the closing stages, Club de Recreio (champion) managed to draw with "the Rest" yesterday in the closing game of division I, the Hong Kong Football League.

Two exhibition matches were played on the H.K.F.C. ground at Happy Valley.

In section "A," division II, the winners (reserves of the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers) trounced a team representative of the other clubs by 9 goals to 2. Then the Recreio (who have won the championship in their second senior season) shared six goals with their opponents—the cream of the other seven participating clubs. Recreio started off in style, their characteristic forward runs resulting in Gosano putting his side one

SOCCER CUP.

Royalty At Army Final, Aldershot.

London, April 18.
Their Majesties the King and Queen were present at Aldershot to-day for the final of the Army Football Cup.

The 2nd Batt. Leicestershire Regiment defeated Royal Army Ordnance Corps (Southern Command) by the odd goal in three.—Reuter.

up. Suen Kam-shun (Chinese Athletic) equalised before half-time.

The Rev. Alexander (Koshies) and Hayes (Kowloon) gave "the Rest" a two goals lead. In the last few minutes—after having been on the defensive for some time—the Recreio launched out and goals by J. Silva and Gosano made the score 3-all.

Koshies' Great Victory.
The Koshies' Reserves had an easy task against the Rest of section "A" of the League.

Crawley scored twice early. Stock, Skeggs and Stevens made the score 5-nil but Omar (St. Joseph's College) slightly reduced the leeway.

After half-time, Stock increased the lead to 6-1 but Pereira (Recreio Reserves) scored again for the Rest. Ward (St. Joseph's) put through his own goal; then Stock and Stevens ran the Infantrymen's total up to nine, against the other side's two.—Reuter.

Season's Honours.
At the close of the senior game, the teams lined up before the Club stand where the "Sunday Herald" Cup and the three league cups were on view.

Mr. G. T. May, President of the Football League, congratulated the Club de Recreio on winning the senior league, the Chinese Athletic for being the runners-up in the senior and in division II, section "A" in the first year of the Club's formation; the 2nd/K.O.S.B. Reserves for going through the season without a defeat, which was a great honour in their first season; and St. Joseph's College Reserves for winning the "B" division on the replay after a tie with the Moslem Club.

Trophies Distributed.

Mr. May then asked Mrs. R. M. Dyer to present the "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup to Scotland, the winning team in the international competition.

Mrs. Dyer also presented the senior cup to P. Xavier, captain of the Club de Recreio, the junior "A" cup to Sgt. Skeggs, K.O.S.B. Reserves and the junior "B" cup to the captain of St. Joseph's Reserves.

Medals were also presented to the winners and runners-up in each section of the league.

Scotland the Home of Soccer.

Miss Kathleen McTavish then handed Mrs. Dyer a bouquet in silver holder, tied with the blue and white of the H.K.F.A.

Mr. R. M. Dyer (President of the H.K.F.A.) then thanked the League officials for asking Mrs. Dyer to present the trophies and medals.

He was very pleased that Scotland had won the Charity Cup and hoped they would continue to do so. He was also pleased that the K.O.S.B.'s had won the junior league, for Scotland was the home of soccer football.

Three cheers and a "tiger" for Mrs. Dyer closed the proceedings.

CURIOS RUNNING RACE.

No more curious sporting event has ever been contested than that which took place in South Africa recently. A champion woman runner, Miss Bennett, ran against a whippet over a hundred yards, and, on the assumption that Miss Bennett's time would be a fraction over 12 seconds to the whippet's 6½ seconds, she was allowed 48 yards start. Miss Bennett won the race by inches in 6.5 seconds.

ANOTHER SURPRISE.

2ND EXTRA RACE MEETING YESTERDAY.

MORE BIG DIVIDENDS.

There was another surprise yesterday, the second day of the 2nd extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, at Happy Valley.

After Saturday's "invasion," it was thought that Macao's ponies would do well again. On the whole, they disappointed; but the big race of the day was again annexed by the sister colony.

That was Mr. Wong's solitary victory for the day, after his surprise of four on Saturday.

The local riders had better mounts in that race (the fourth) but played themselves into his hands by making the 1½ miles into a slow mile.

Victory of "The Kings." No rain fell during the day but the going was still on the slow side. The attendance showed little improvement over the first day.

Mr. F. A. Pollock, and Mr. W. T. Stanton each scored two victories. The only owner to win a double was Mr. "Dynasty," whose King Alan was bought in in the selling plates for \$260.

King Alan also had a second.

King of the Plains began with a second and finished up with the biggest winning dividend of the day. As King of Troy, the other pony entered by Mr. Dynasty, also won on Saturday, the owner had a very successful meeting.

On the whole, fields were not small and there were some thrilling finishes.

Cash Sweep results are given herewith. Drawers of unplaced runners receive \$50 each except where stated.

Race I.

No. 15 \$693.70

" 19 198.20

" 6 99.10

Unplaced Nos. 250, 343, 77, 50, 267.

Race II.

No. 13 \$983.50

" 388 281.00

" 198 140.50

Unplaced Nos. 347, 148, 213, 28, 7, 46.

Race III.

No. 137 \$1,330.70

" 350 380.20

" 148 190.10

Unplaced Nos. 31, 17, 303, 22, 28, 7, 46.

Race IV.

No. 309 \$2,788.80

" 127 796.80

" 406 398.40

Unplaced Nos. 271, 130, 199, 410.

Race V.

No. 64 \$1,626.80

" 292 464.80

" 520 232.40

Unplaced Nos. 355, 184, 325, 410.

Race VI.

No. 188 \$1,472.80

" 134 420.80

" 360 210.40

Unplaced Nos. 74, 368, 149.

Race VII.

No. 466 \$1,505.00

" 38 430.00

" 170 215.00

Unplaced Nos. 263, 100.

Race VIII.

No. 75 \$1,540.00

" 201 330.00

" 396 330.00

Unplaced Nos. 241.

Race IX.

No. 287 \$1,585.50

" 175 453.00

" 10 226.00

Unplaced Nos. 299, 327, 385, 533, 420.

1.—Junk Bay Plate: half mile.

—For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100.

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's

The Goblin (Mr. Pollock) 1

Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains (Mr. da Roza) 2

Mr. K. H.'s Macao Beauty (Mr. Chun) 3

Also ran: Home Call (Mr. Sewell), Grey Morn (Mr. Reidy), Battle Eve (Mr. Stanton), Loong-ya (Mr. Wong), Cra (Mr. Kelly), Grande del Norte (Mr. Seth).

A head 1½ lengths.

Time: 1:01.

Pari-mutuel:—

Winner \$14.10

Place 1st 6.70

2nd 12.10

3rd 8.80

2.—Mirs Bay Handicap: "C" class: one mile. —For China ponies. Entrance \$5. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100.

Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter (Mr. Bulteel) 1

Mr. Dynasty's King Alan (Mr. da Roza) 2

Messrs. Dyer and Beth's Loch (Mr. Reidy) 3

Also ran: Saracen (Mr. Hunkley), Grey Streak (Mr. Pollock), Golden Hall (Mr. Wong), Salvo (Mr. Chun), Plum Hall (Mr. Stanton), Sugar Loaf (Mr. Wallace).

Also ran: Bagheera (Mr. Wong) 2

2 lengths: dead heat.

Time: 2:10.2/5.

Pari-mutuel:—

Winner \$117.80

Place 1st 10.20

2nd 5.60

3rd 6.20

2 lengths: 2 lengths.

Time: 2:14.5/5.

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RADIO TOPICS

DRAMA ON THE AIR.

AMERICAN MAKES SUCCESSFUL
INNOVATIONS.

ENSURING CONTINUITY.

Drama is admittedly difficult to "put across" by radio.

The fact that listeners do not see the characters, and so miss the gestures—which sometimes tell more than words—has militated against the complete success of the radio play.

Now, however, Dailey Paskman, manager of the American station, WGBS, claims to have achieved remarkable results by means of several innovations.

He started experimenting with broadcast plays in 1926, when he booked players for a condensed version of "The Taming of the Shrew". This attracted moderate attention, and later Mr. Paskman successfully adapted some of O. Henry's short stories.

In his broadcast plays he has introduced an "extra character"—a "scene actor"—who describes to listeners the nature of the play and the identity of the players. He takes listeners from one scene to another when the action changes, and so provides the necessary continuity.

"The radio play must be continuous," says Mr. Paskman in the New York "Herald-Tribune." "There can be no intermissions whatever, or else the listener will tune out."

He regards music as essential. Without it the biggest scenes lose half their value. The music must be scored to interpret the mood of the play, just as it is scored in the cinema to fit the mood of the action on the screen.

Musical Background.

But music, he thinks, is exceedingly more important for radio drama than for the cinema, because the appeal of the radio performance is limited entirely to the sense of hearing. Music is the scenery, and settling of radio plays.

General opinion is that the public likes short, snappy broadcasts, but Mr. Paskman says he has evidence to the contrary. He broadcast a dramatization of the life of Mozart, with the composer's own music as a background. This occupied an hour and 20 minutes, and was received enthusiastically by listeners. A similar Beethoven broadcast drew high praise from radio fans.

LATEST RADIO PEST.

A new terror for wireless listeners is developing daily. It especially afflicts those who are far from their "home" station, or those who are picking up distant broadcasts, and it is due to the selfishness of other listeners who employ the latest methods of fine-tuning while still oscillating. This new crime has been termed "oscillating on the silent point," and there is an ever-growing volume of complaints.

If you find that your signals, after a preliminary whoop or two, either double in volume and become horribly distorted, or twist for a moment and then fade away to almost nothing, you may suspect that you are being "sat on" by a silent point oscillator. Listening in his private capacity, an official of the British Broadcasting Corporation recently was "sat on" in this way for an hour and 25 minutes!

The explanation is this: A set in a state of strong oscillation tunes in. Coarse handling of the condensers would result in the old too-familiar howl of the ordinary oscillator. Very delicate and skilful touches on the fine-tuning devices now available bring the howls down first to a deep mutter and then to silence. The sounds have fallen below the limit of human hearing.

Sensitive wireless impulses, however, are still very much affected by the re-radiation from the aerial of the silent point oscillator.

These re-radiations affect the set of any neighbouring listener who is tuned in to the same station.

There is now a new device called

the radio-goniometer, which, in conjunction with a frame aerial, should be equal to the work of tracking down silent point oscillators.

VALVE DESIGN.

THAT IRRITATING HUM
ELIMINATED.

Decidedly novel and interesting features are incorporated in a new valve which is to come on the market shortly. This valve permits a low tension battery to be entirely dispensed with, and works direct from alternating current mains. It is in no sense the "cold valve" proposed by wireless experimenters as a possibility of the future, but by means of a new method of "heating by radiation," it makes it possible for almost any receiver to be successfully run from the mains. At present its use is limited to alternating current mains, being operated through a step down transformer without any rectifying or smoothing circuit. Existing methods of obtaining filament voltage from the mains are associated with an irritating hum, and there are other technical difficulties, but in this valve a radical departure from previous design is made with a view to overcoming these drawbacks.

Everyone knows that the purpose of a filament is to give off a stream of electrons when heated. The revolutionary point in the design of this new valve is that the electron emission takes place from a cathode, a tiny cylinder coated with a radio active substance, which encloses the filament. Through a step down transformer the filament is connected to the alternating current mains, and when the filament is at white heat the surrounding cathode, being heated by radiation, gives off an enormously high electron flow. This cylinder remains unaffected by any small changes in the temperature of the filament, and the electron flow remains consequently unchanged. The grid and plate, of course, surround the cathode in the usual way. A curious point is that it takes the new valve some time to start functioning after switching on the heater current, owing to the time taken for the cathode to reach a suitable temperature. It is manufactured by the Marconi-Osram Valve Company.

AERIAL AND EARTH.

When installing a radio set it is important that the aerial and earth should be given every care and attention. In fact, some of the aerials which are seen about are anything but beautiful, and could hardly be expected to give the best results.

Do not expect maximum efficiency if your lead-in is resting

against the guttering of your house.

You will not get it, as there is

a leakage to earth. Keep away from the guttering and also

from the walls, and you will find a

great difference in signal strength

and selectivity. An aerial which is

too long is not conducive to selectivity.

The ideal aerial should be between 30ft. and 40ft. high, and 75ft. long. A single wire aerial is

perhaps the best type to erect, and

three insulations at each end form a

good insulation medium. It is

often a good plan to have two

aerials, one long, as stated above,

and the other one short, about 30ft.

overall. A switch can be used to

change over from one to the other

at will, and this is a distinct advantage where radio frequency is

employed in the circuit. Such receivers as the Browning-Drake, Neutrodyne, or Superheterodyne do not need any aerial at all for local stations. The distant station is best received on the short aerial, as selectivity is assured. The earth, of course, is equally important. Keep it short; also keep it moist. An excellent earth is obtained by burying a length of 50ft. or 100ft. of 8/20 or 7/24 bare copper wire. Another excellent earth is the water pipe. Never use a gas pipe. It is dangerous. The very important point is to keep the earth moist if the wire is buried in a dry place.

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RUGBY'S WONDERS.

MARVELS OF WIRELESS
TELEGRAPHY.

GREAT BRITISH TRIUMPH.

When the great wireless station at Rugby was completed it was claimed that it was the most powerful in the world. The records of the laboratory for special radio transmission research, which is conducted jointly by the Bureau of Standards and the American Section of the International Union of Scientific Radio-Telegraphy, proves that it is also the most efficient. Its latest report deals with the signals of the wireless stations throughout the world in the months of September and October last, and the results constitute a triumph for British scientists, British engineers, and British industry, for, except for one small detail of equipment, the station is entirely British. Its design was prepared by the Wireless Commission, over which Mr. W. H. Eccles presides; practically all the material, not excluding the remarkable thermionic valves, was made in Britain; and the station was erected by the Engineering Department of the Post Office, over which Colonel T. F. Purves presides. The station was in some degree experimental, as it represented a new departure in equipment, and it was therefore thought in some quarters to be uncertain what results it would give in comparison with those which had been obtained from the other powerful stations abroad which were already operating. All doubts have now been set at rest by the report which has just been issued of the observations made at Washington in September and October.

The weakness of the signals from the famous German station at Nauen, of which so much was heard during the Great War, is particularly interesting, and even the French station at Bordeaux, once regarded as unapproachable for the strength of its signals, is revealed as sending far less strong signals than Rugby. The claim that the super-British station, which is now being used for transatlantic telephony with such remarkable success, is the most powerful as well as the most efficient, is consequently supported by the most impartial evidence.

TALK OVER ARCTIC CIRCLE.

The Marconi International Marine Communication Company states that the first recorded transmission of the human voice from one merchant ship to another over the Arctic Circle is reported by the Hudson Bay Company as having taken place during the last voyage of the s.s. "Bayruperl." This ship was fitted with a 100 watt Marconi wireless telephone set at Montreal before starting on its voyage to the trading posts in the Hudson Bay at the beginning of the summer. The primary object of this equipment was to enable the Hudson Bay Company's officials to speak to the posts about twenty-four hours before reaching them so as to enable them to make docking arrangements, and so to have time when the ship arrived.

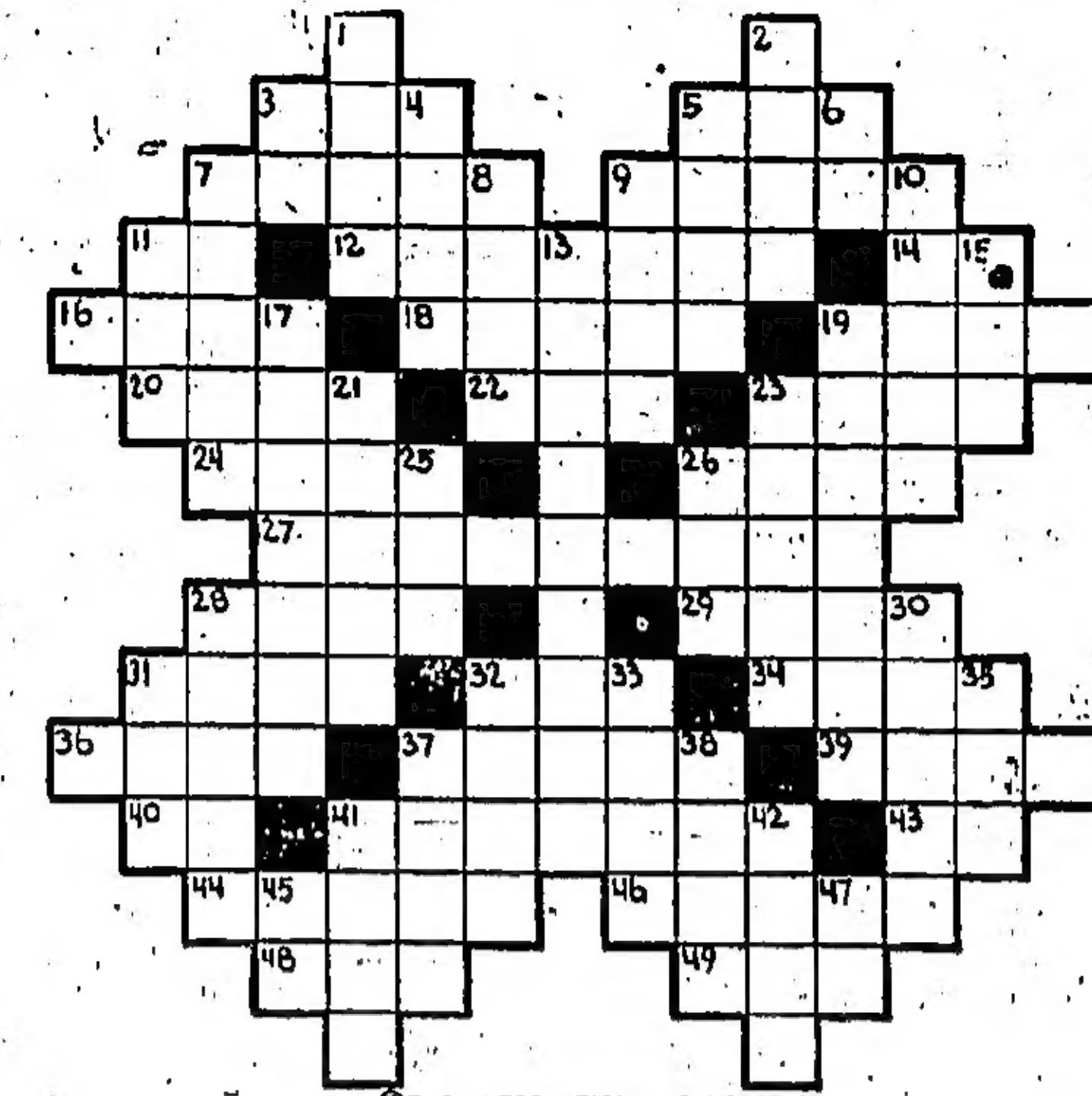
Very much greater ranges had been anticipated were achieved, and on August 20 speech from the "Bayruperl" was clearly received on the "Baymaud" and the "Baychime," which were six hundred miles and 1,100 miles distant respectively, over the Arctic Circle. Not only was this the first time, so far as the Hudson Bay Company is aware, that the human voice has been sent across the Arctic Circle from one merchant ship to another, but the distance between the "Bayruperl" and the "Baychime" is probably a record distance for telephony with this particular set.

BROADCASTING PICTURES.

Replying to questions in the House of Commons, Sir William Mitchell-Thomson, Postmaster-General, stated that experimental wireless licences had been issued to several people to enable them to experiment in broadcasting both still and moving pictures. Several systems had been suggested, but the

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

3-Morass
5-Hint
7-Intended
9-Those having
11-Prairie meaning
12-Entrance to New
14-Italian river
15-Lion's herd
16-Travels
18-Sulk
20-Want
22-Metallic element
23-A coagulated mass
24-Clock faces
26-Tribes
27-Light-minded
28-Explored
29-Wapitis
31-To plant seed
32-A serpent
34-Dispatch

VERTICAL

1-Land
2-Add
3-Exist
4-Insect
5-Bovine quadruped
6-And (Lat.)
7-Dug for ore
8-A brisk pace
9-Wind instrument
10-A piece of table
silver

VERTICAL (Cont.)

13-Diastrophically
15-Three strikes in
baseball
17-Exalted
41-Actors
43-13th letter of the
alphabet
44-Be
45-Wild animal
46-Dried grass
47-Kettle

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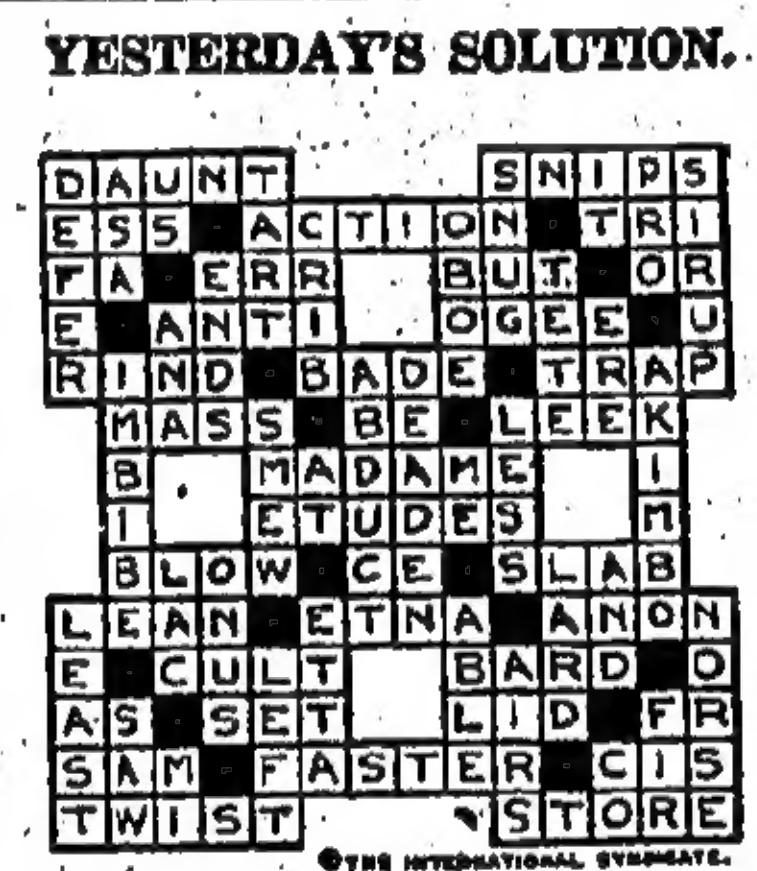
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SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting in the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both

matter was not yet out of the experimental stage.

Asked whether he was aware that in Vienna 3 pictures were sent out every evening by photo-telegraphy and whether he had received a request from Mr. Thorne Baker to transmit photo-telegraphy on the same system in Britain, Sir William said he was aware of the experiments being made on the Continent. The Thorne Baker process was one of those working experiments at present.

Sir William announced that the number of wireless licences issued during the year 1926 was 2,178,000 compared with 1,642,000 in 1925. The total receipts were £1,089,000 in 1926 and \$321,000 in 1925.



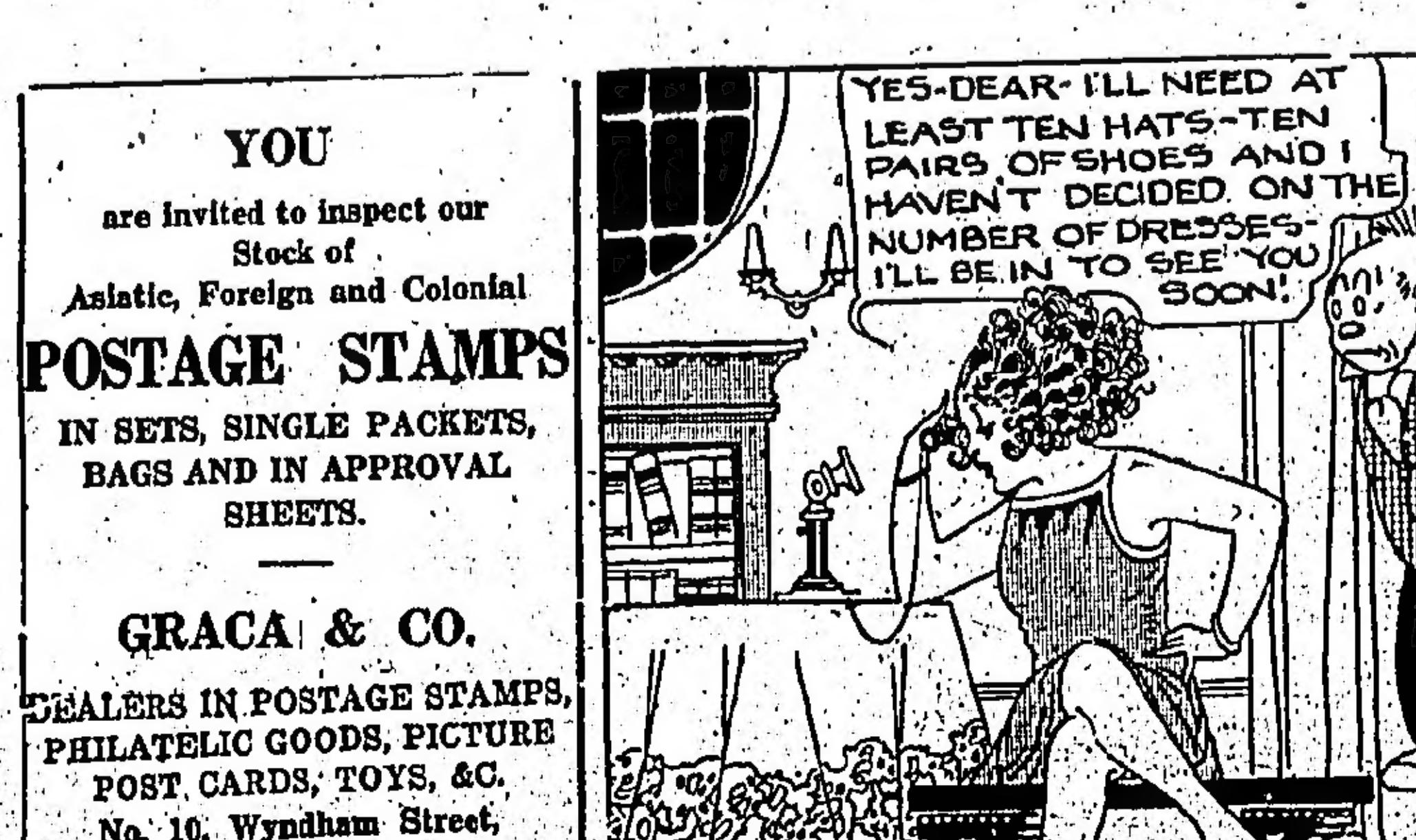
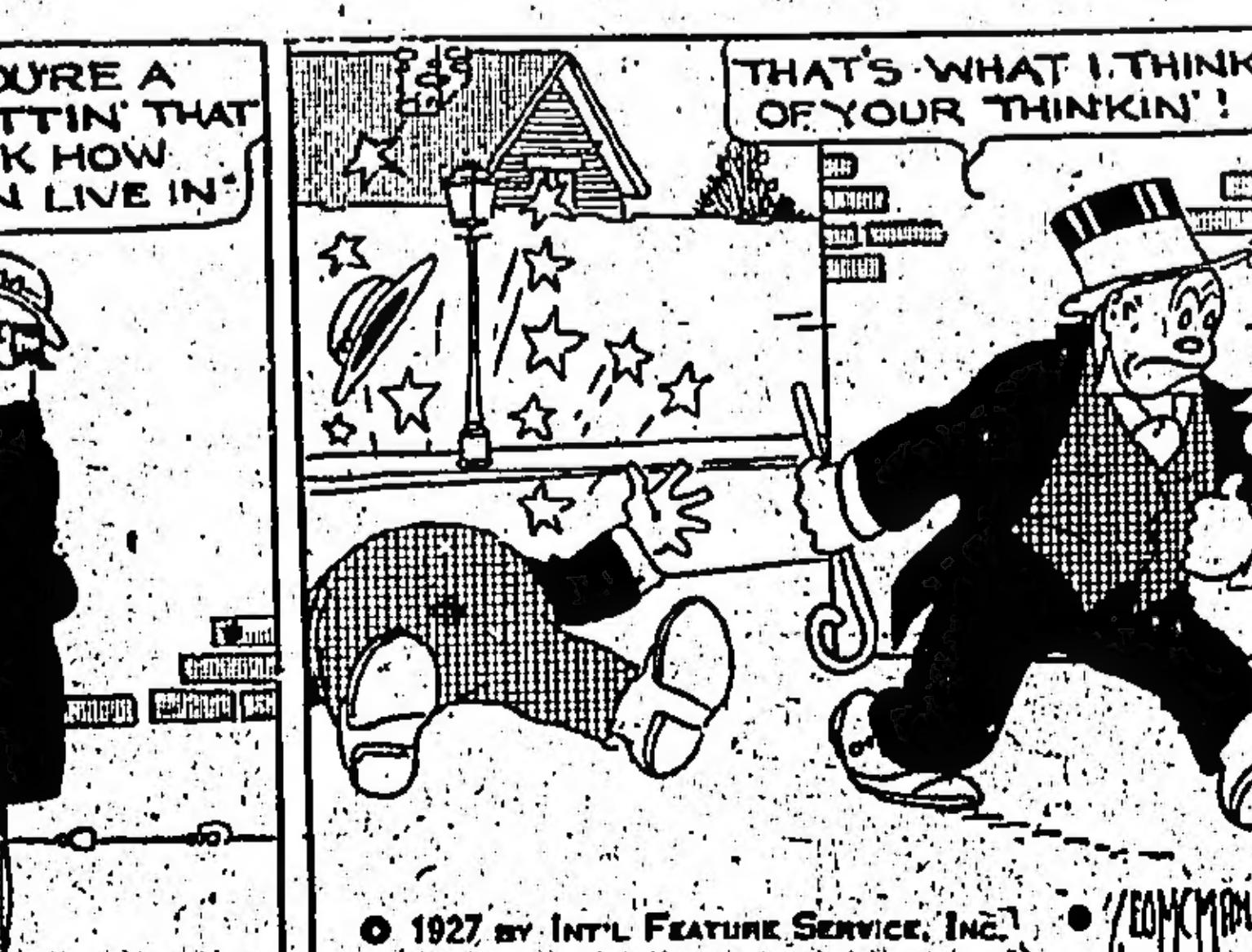
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"GALICIA" 17th May Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
"AEneas" 31st May Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Glasgow
"Cain" at Casablanca.

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"PROTEUS" 10th May Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle

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The Radio Telegraph Service between Hong Kong and Swatow has been resumed and telegrams for Swatow are now accepted under the same conditions and at the same rates as for Canton.

INWARD MAIIS.

From	TUESDAY, APRIL	Per
Japan	19	Janus.
Australia & Manila	22	Mishima Maru.
Japan		Aki Maru.
Japan & Shanghai		Katori Maru.
Europe via Nogapata (Letters and papers)		
London 24th March		Santhia.
TUESDAY, APRIL	26	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai		Shinyo Maru.
FRIDAY, APRIL	29	
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai		Empress of Asia.
Japan & Shanghai		Malwa.

OUTWARD MAIIS.

For	TUESDAY, APRIL	Per
Shanghai, *Japan, & *Victoria B.C.	19	
—due Victoria B.C. 9th May. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m.		
Letters 6 p.m.		
Amoy		President Taft.
Haliphong		Lai Sang.
Fort Bayard		New Mathilde.
Holhew & Bangkok		Sunkong.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *Europe via Vancouver B.C.—due Vancouver 8th May & Europe via Siberia. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (20th) 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.		Alex Kieland.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL	20	Empress of Russia.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa		Honolulu Mar.
Manila, Sandakan & Rabaul		Calulu.
Straits		Yuen Sang.
SWATOW, Amoy & Formosa	21	10 a.m.
FRIDAY, APRIL	22	10 a.m.
SWATOW, Amoy & Foochow		1.30 p.m.
SATURDAY, APRIL	23	8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 6th May. Registration 8.30 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.		Hai Ching.
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CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN STATES.

DEFINING LEGAL RIGHTS.

Rio de Janeiro, April 19. Thirty delegates representing the United States and Central and South American States are attending the congress of jurists for the codification of American international law under the pre-

COSTLY BLAZE.

Liverpool Cotton Warehouse Destroyed.

London, April 18. Twenty thousand bales of cotton were burnt in a fire which destroyed a cotton warehouse at Liverpool.—Reuter.

sidency of the Foreign Minister, Sir Margheira.

The items on the agenda include preparation of a code of international and private civil law, the organisation of a Pan-American Union, a declaration of international legal rights and duties, both personal and natural, and of the principle of the responsibility of American republics with regard to foreigners, also measures for the maintenance of peace and the solution of inter-American differences.—Reuter's American Service.

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JAPAN'S PREMIER.

Tokyo, April 19. Baron Gichi Tanaka, Leader of the Suryukai, has been summoned to the Palace. It is believed he will be asked to form a Cabinet.—Reuter.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN.

Tokyo, April 19. Reversing yesterday's decision, the Directors of the Bank of Taiwan have decided to keep open their Headquarters and branches in Formosa.—Reuter.

BAND AT THE STAR.

The Band of the 1st Battalion of the Cameronians will play at the Star Theatre to-night and to-morrow night at the 9.30 performances. There will be complete changes of programmes.

WEATHER FORECAST.

N.E. winds, moderate; overcast with drizzle or mist at first; is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow.

Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

PICKED THE FLOWERS.

Mr. H. Green, Superintendent of Botanical and Forestry Dept, this morning charged three Chinese youths before Major Wilson with plucking flowers at the Public Garden. Mr. Green said that there had been many cases in the past, and after a lull, this offence had recently been vigorously resumed. In imposing a fine of \$25 or one month's jail, Major Wilson said that the flowers were not grown to be plucked. They must be protected.

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SOUTH AFRICA'S INDIANS.

Bombay, April 18. It is understood that Mr. Srinavasa Sastry, the Indian statesman, has accepted an appointment as agent of the Government of India to South Africa. The appointment is in consequence of the recent Indo-South-African agreement with regard to Indians in South Africa.—Reuter.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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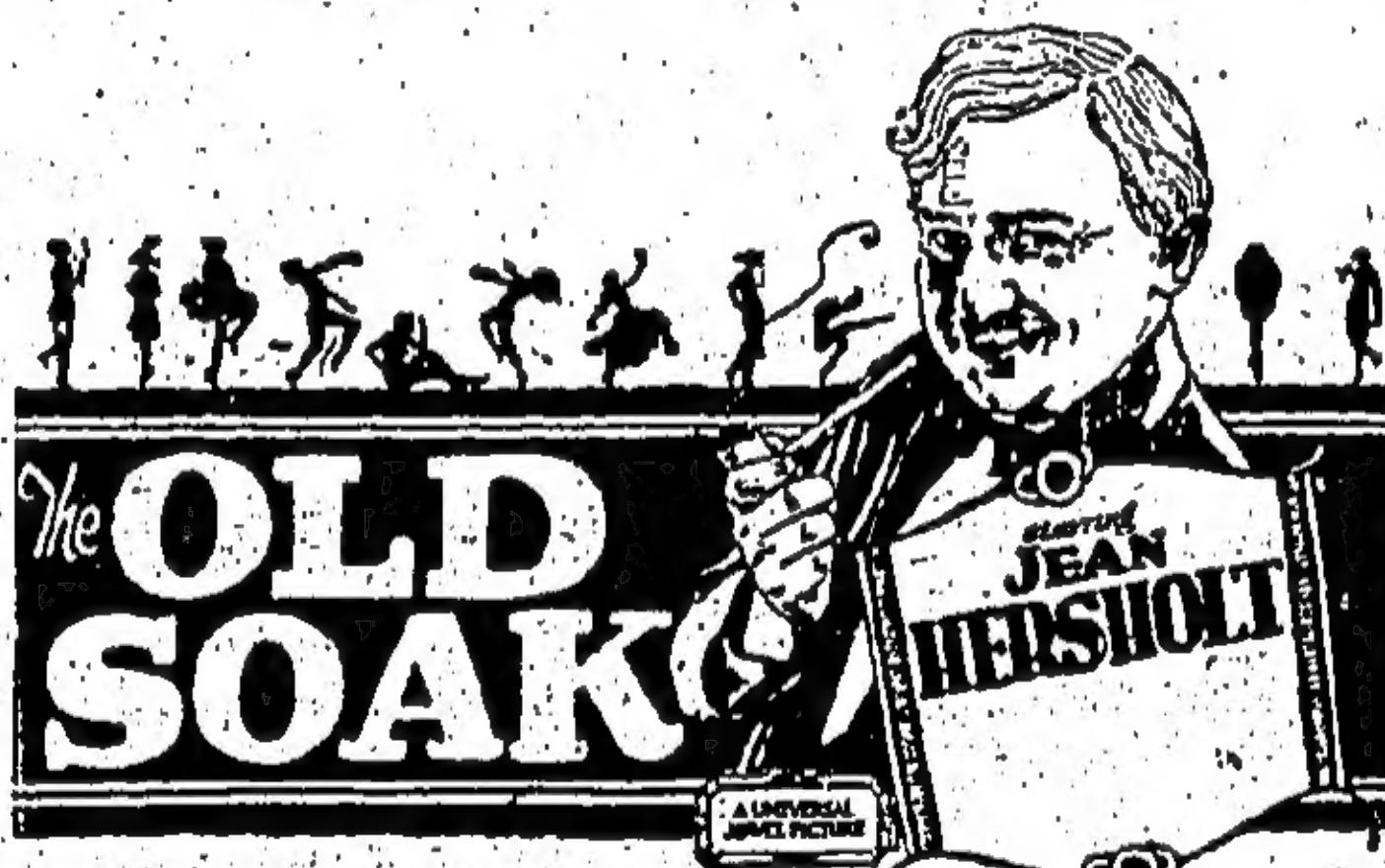
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